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SOME PENNSYLVANIA LEADERS

Biography offers a most interesting approach to history. The study of the lives of eminent Pennsylvanians should provide much in the way of inspiration and information. The list which follows is by no means complete. An effort has been made to select personages who have contributed to the development of American ideals and institutions in varied fields and whose lives provide inspirational example. Many other names might be added and there are many persons in the history of every community who have contributed in much the same way to its well-being and growth and yet who may not have achieved wide recognition. The list is not definitive but rather intended to suggest possibilities. It demonstrates the richness of Pennsylvania's contribution to our democracy.

LEADERS IN POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

Adams, Robert (1846-1906). Lawyer, legislator and diplomat born in Philadelphia. Minister to Brazil. Acting chairman of House Foreign Affairs Committee, 1898, and author of war resolution against Spain.

Baldwin, Henry (1780-1844). Jurist born in Connecticut; practiced law in Pittsburgh. Became U. S. Supreme Court Justice in 1830.

Black, James (1823-1893). Born at Lewisburg. A lawyer and founder of the Prohibition party. Its first candidate for president in 1872. Possessor of the most complete temperance library in America.

Black, Jeremiah S. (1810-1883). Lawyer and statesman. Native of Somerset. Chief Justice of Pennsylvania; attorney-general and secretary of state under Buchanan.

Boone, Daniel (1735-1820). Pioneer. Born near Reading and spent first 16 years of his life on Pennsylvania frontier. Homestead now a State shrine.

Bradford, William (1755-1795). Jurist. Born in Philadelphia. Served in Revolution; attorney-general of Pennsylvania; member of U. S. Supreme Court, 1791-94, when he became attorney-general of U. S.

Buchanan, James (1791-1868). Pennsylvania's only president. Born in present Franklin county log cabin. Birthplace still preserved at Chambersburg. Member of Congress, Secretary of State, Minister to England.

- Buckalew, Charles R.* (1821-1899). Statesman and diplomat. Native of Columbia county. Treaty commissioner; U. S. Senator; Minister to Ecuador.
- Cameron, Simon* (1799-1889). Statesman. Born in Lancaster county; engaged in printing at Harrisburg; leader in railway development. U. S. Senator; Secretary of War under Lincoln, 1861-62; Minister to Russia, 1862.
- Cornplanter*, chief of Senecas born about 1742 and died in 1836; son of white trader John O'Bail or O'Beal. Friend of whites and assisted in formulating satisfactory relations in post-Revolutionary period. Given a grant of land in perpetuity by Pennsylvania Assembly in Warren county where his descendants still live.
- Croghan, George*. Indian trader born in Ireland, coming to America about 1740. One of first licensed Indian traders in Pennsylvania. Great influence with Indians and assisted in promoting expulsion of French. Died 1782.
- Curtin, Andrew G.* (1815-1894). Statesman. Born at Bellefonte. Secretary of Commonwealth and War Governor. Notable for arranging War Governors' Conference at Altoona in 1862 promoting national unity. Minister to Russia, 1869. Leader in reform movement of '80's.
- Dallas, Alexander J.* (1759-1817). Statesman. Born in Jamaica, West Indies. Settled in Philadelphia 1783. Secretary of the Treasury, 1814, and for a time in control of War Department. Supporter of national bank. Contributed greatly to success of war effort in 1812-15.
- Dallas, George Mifflin* (1792-1864). Diplomat. Native of Philadelphia. U. S. Senator; Minister to Russia and Great Britain; Vice-President.
- Dickinson, John* (1732-1808). Patriot. Born in Maryland, but spent a great part of career in Philadelphia. Author famous "Farmer's Letters"; member of Continental Congress and framer of Constitution.
- Franklin, Benjamin* (1706-90). Statesman. Famous as the "first civilized American." Career too well known to need summary.
- Gallatin, Albert* (1761-1849). Statesman. Born in Switzerland and emigrated to America, 1770. Took up land in western Pennsylvania 1786 and soon built "Friendship Hill," still standing at New Geneva. Congressman and Senator. Secretary of the Treasury under Jefferson. Leading negotiator of Treaty of Ghent 1815.

Grow, Galusha (1822-1907). Statesman. Native of Connecticut, but resident of Susquehanna County. Elected to Congress six times beginning in 1850. Introduced Homestead Act opening western lands and signed it as Speaker of House.

Harris, John. Pioneer and first permanent settler on Susquehanna. Indian trader and negotiator. Operated famous Harris' Ferry at present Harrisburg. Son, John Harris, founder of Harrisburg. Monument on lower Front Street in Harrisburg marks grave.

Hopkinson, Francis (1737-1791). Statesman, musician, author and financier. Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Knox, Philander C. (1853-1921). Born Brownsville. Attorney-General, Senator and Secretary of State. Prominent in starting anti-trust activities by U. S.

Logan, James (1674-1751). Colonial statesman and scholar. William Penn's secretary, confidential advisor and friend for half a century.

MacVeagh, Wayne (1833-1917). Born Phoenixville and leader in Chester county affairs. Minister to Turkey, 1870-71; Attorney-General, later Ambassador to Italy. Chief counsel in Venezuelan arbitration.

Morris, Robert (1734-1806). Patriot and financier. Noteworthy for services in financing Revolution. Member of Constitutional Convention.

Morton, John (1724-77). Patriot. Native of Delaware county and of Swedish descent. Member of Stamp Act and Continental Congresses. Cast deciding vote in Pennsylvania delegation for Declaration of Independence. Birthplace near Essington restored as State shrine.

Paine, Thomas (1737-1809). Patriot coming to Philadelphia at beginning of Revolution. Famed as writer of "Common Sense," revolutionary statement.

Salomon, Haym (1740-85). Patriot and financier. Born in Poland of Jewish parentage and came to Philadelphia in 1778. Aided Morris in financing the Revolution and negotiated the Dutch and French loans. While less well known, his contributions were certainly as important as those of Morris.

Smith, James (1718-1806). Born in Ireland and came to America in 1729. After residing in Philadelphia became a pioneer lawyer and landholder of York. Raised first volunteer company of the Revolution. Member of Continental Congress, signer of the Declaration of Independence, and a revolutionary leader. Buried at York.

Stevens, Thaddeus (1792-1868). Statesman. Born in Vermont and removed to York about 1814 where he taught school and studied law. Began practice at Gettysburg. A leader in the anti-slavery movement and the fight for a free school system in Pennsylvania. Dominant leader in Congress during Civil War and early Reconstruction era.

Weiser, Conrad (1696-1760). Pioneer. Born near Wurtemberg and came to America at age of 13. Early pioneer in central Pennsylvania and leader in Indian negotiations. As an Indian interpreter, diplomat and agent he became one of the most important persons in establishing the basis for English settlement from 1740 to his death. A founder of Reading. Died at Womelsdorf where his home is center of a State shrine.

Wilmot, David (1814-68). Statesman. Native of Bradford county. Member of Congress for many years and famed as author of Wilmot Proviso opposing further slavery extension.

LEADERS IN INDUSTRY, FINANCE, BUSINESS AND LABOR

Biddle, Nicholas (1786-1844). Financier, scholar, statesman. Born in Philadelphia. Minister to France and head of the Second United States Bank. Known for contribution to sound finance.

Carnegie, Andrew (1835-1919). Industrialist and philanthropist. Born in Scotland and came to America in 1848. His rise to industrial eminence is one of the sagas of American democracy. His benefactions are internationally known.

Cassatt, Alexander J. (1839-1906). Railroader. Born in Pittsburgh. One of leaders in the development of the great Pennsylvania Railroad system.

Cooke, Jay (1821-1905). Banker. Native of Ohio but active career in Philadelphia. Known as "Financier of the Civil War" for his services in aiding the Union.

Cramp, Charles H. (1828-1913). Shipbuilder. Born in Philadelphia and led with his father in organizing largest shipbuilding concern in the U. S. Contributed to development of new naval power following Civil War.

Drake, Edwin L. (1819-80). Native of New York. Came to Titusville in 1857 and on August 27, 1859 struck oil. Remainder of life associated with development of this new industry. Died at Bethlehem. Drake Memorial Park at the well site and Museum dedicated to event.

- Girard, Stephen* (1750-1831). Banker and philanthropist. Born in France and settled in Philadelphia 1769. Became leader in banking and commerce. Known as "Financier of War of 1812." Founder of Girard College.
- Mellon, Andrew William* (1855-1937). Ambassador to England, Secretary of the Treasury, financier, industrialist and president of the Mellon National Bank. Developing genius of the aluminum industry. Founder of the Aluminum Company of America.
- O'Hara, John* (1753-1819). Pioneer industrialist born in Ireland. Engaged in Indian trade at Fort Pitt and acted as purchasing agent for armies of northwest Indian campaign. Pioneer industrialist of Pittsburgh, building a glass works in 1797 with Major Craig.
- Powderly, Terence V.* (1849-1924). Labor leader and lawyer born at Carbondale. Three times mayor of Scranton. Commissioner-General of Immigration 1892-1902 and chief of Bureau of Immigration. Author of books on labor problems and history.
- Roebeling, John A.* (1806-69). Engineer. Came to America 1831 and settled at Pittsburgh. Surveyed Pennsylvania railroad from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh. Manufacturer of steel wire rope; bridge-builder. Son Washington succeeded him in his work.
- Schwab, Charles M.* (1862-1940). Industrialist. Born at Williamsburg and educated at Saint Francis College, Loretto. Rose from stake driver to head of the Carnegie Steel Company and the later United States Steel Corporation. In charge of the emergency fleet building program in 1918.
- Scott, Thomas* (1822-81). Railway manager. Born in London, entered service of Pennsylvania Railroad in 1850, and rose to presidency in 1874-80. In charge of telegraph and railway communication services during Civil War. A leader in developing our railway transportation system.
- Scranton, George W.* (1811-61). Industrialist. Born in Connecticut and in 1840, began iron manufacture at present Scranton, which he founded. Leader in pioneer railway development.
- Stiegel, Henry William* (1729-85). Ironmaster, glassmaker, town-builder, about whose eccentricities and grandiose manner of living many stories have been told. For these foibles he received the name "Baron von Stiegel." Laid out town of Manheim, Lancaster county.
- Thomson, Frank* (1841-99). Railway engineer. Born at Chambersburg and superintended troop transport during Civil War. Head of Pennsylvania Railroad, 1897-99.

Wanamaker, John (1838-1922). Merchant. Native Philadelphian and founder of store bearing his name. Leader in modern merchandising and department store organization as well as a liberal political reform leader. Interested in religious education. Postmaster-General under President Harrison, 1889-93.

Widener, Peter (1834-1915). Industrialist. Native of Philadelphia and leader in development of meat packing, street railway, tobacco and oil industries. Philanthropist of note and rich contributor to Philadelphia and Pennsylvania educational and related causes.

LEADERS IN EDUCATION, LITERATURE, RELIGION AND THE ARTS

Abbey, Edwin A. (1852-1911). Eminent historical and mural painter born in Philadelphia. Paintings for State Capitol in 1907.

Acheson, Edward G. (1856-1931). Chemist and inventor, born in Washington, studied at Bellefonte Academy. Inventor of mining machinery and carborundum.

Barnard, George Grey (1863-1938). Noted sculptor. Among his most famous works are the groups of figures adorning the entrance of the State Capitol, Harrisburg, *The Hower*, and *The Two Natures*.

Beissel, Johann Conrad (1690-1768). Hymn writer and founder of the Solitary Brethren of the Community of Seventh Day Baptists at Ephrata, one of the first communal experiments in America. This community, now being restored by the Pennsylvania Historical Commission, was a potent force in Colonial and Revolutionary days.

Benezet, Anthony (1713-84). Quaker, French-born philanthropist. Came to Philadelphia 1731. Advocated freedom of the negro and founded an evening school for colored people.

Bliss, Philip P. (1838-76). Evangelist. Born in Clearfield County. Associate of Dwight Moody. Teacher and resident of Bradford County. Hymn writer with Ira Sankey; famous for "Let the Lower Lights be Burning."

Brown, Charles Brockden (1771-1810). Novelist. Native of Philadelphia and famed as author of first American novel and first to make literature a profession. Some of his works recently reprinted.

Burrowes, Thomas Henry (1805-71). Politician and educator. Congressman. Member of the "Kitchen Cabinet" under Governor Ritner. Helped organize free school system in the state.

Carey, Henry C. (1793-1879). Economist. Born in Philadelphia and became one of principal exponents of individualistic economic as well as a supporter of economic nationalism.

- Coxe, Tench* (1755-1824). Economist of Philadelphia. Prominent in promoting national theories of economic development and support of manufactures. Also an advocate of naval power.
- Davis, Richard Harding* (1864-1916). Author. Born in Philadelphia. War correspondent in Spanish American War and popular novelist and short story writer.
- Drew, John* (1853-1927). Actor. Native of Philadelphia and one of outstanding actors of his time.
- Foster, Stephen Collins* (1826-64). Song writer. Born in suburb of Pittsburgh. Attended Athens Academy and resided for a time at Towanda. Known as the American Troubadour.
- Gallaudet, Thomas Hopkins* (1787-1851). Educator of deaf. Born in Philadelphia. Founded first free American school for the deaf.
- Gallitzin, Demetrius Augustine* (1770-1840). A member of the Russian nobility who came to this country as a Catholic missionary. Established Catholic community on Pennsylvania frontier in what is now Cambria county.
- George, Henry* (1839-97). Economist and reformer. Born in Philadelphia but most of his life spent in different sections of the country. Famous for book on reform "Progress and Poverty." Influential in development of progressive democracy. Founder single tax movement.
- Hopkinson, Joseph* (1770-1842). Famous as author of "Hail Columbia." Native of Philadelphia where he was a well-known lawyer and jurist.
- Jefferson, Joseph* (1829-1905). Actor. Born in Philadelphia and became one of most famous actors on American stage. Notable for characterization of "Rip" in "Rip Van Winkle."
- Le Land, Charles Godfrey* (1824-1903). Author and educator. Born in Philadelphia. Turned from law to literature. Active in later years in promoting industrial education and wrote articles and manuals aiding its introduction into the public schools.
- McGuffey, William H.* (1800-73). Born in Washington county and graduate of Washington College. His series of readers and spellers were the most widely used school books of the time and his precepts had great influence.
- McKinn, Charles F.* (1847-1909). Native of Chester County and as member of White, Meade, Meade and McKinn, was a leader in developing a distinctive American architecture.

- Nevin, Ethelbert* (1862-1901). Composer. Born at Edgeworth and received part of his musical education in Pittsburgh. "Narcissus" and "The Rosary" among most famous compositions.
- Ogden, Robert C.* (1836-1913). Philanthropist. Born in Philadelphia where he became a prominent merchant. Noted for his promotion of education for negroes and poor whites of the South following the Civil War.
- Pennell, Joseph* (1857-1926). Noted etcher and lithographer. First to make industrial themes recognized subjects for the artist. Wife, almost equally noted, was Elizabeth Robins Pennell.
- Sartain, John* (1808-97). Engraver and editor. Born in London, came to U. S. in 1830 and settled in Philadelphia. Noted for contributions to art of engraving and as an engraver. Chief administrator of fine arts for the Centennial Exposition.
- Schaeffer, Nathan* (1849-1919). Educator. Graduate of Franklin and Marshall. Teacher there and at Kutztown Normal. Superintendent of Public Instruction from 1893-1919, and one of the leaders in building the educational system of the State.
- Taylor, Bayard* (1828-78). Author. Born at Kennett Square, Chester county. Became a printer, editor, and writer. Travelled widely in Europe and served in legations at St. Petersburg and Berlin, where he died. A leader in literary development of his times; translator of Goethe's *Faust*.
- Van Dyke, Henry* (1852-1933). Poet, preacher, author, university teacher and diplomat. Minister to the Netherlands and Luxembourg.
- Vaux, Roberts* (1786-1836). Jurist and reformer. Native of Philadelphia and member of its bar and courts. Leader in penal reform and development of free public school system in Pennsylvania. A leader in many charitable and humanitarian enterprises.
- Wallace, Henry* (1836-1916). Editor. Born at West Newton, Westmoreland county, graduate of Jefferson College and Allegheny Theological Seminary. Founded *Wallace's Farmer* at Des Moines, Iowa, in 1859. Leader in improvement of American rural life. Father of the present Vice-President.

LEADERS IN SCIENCE, MEDICINE AND INVENTION

- Alter, David* (1807-81). Scientist born in Westmoreland county. Practiced medicine in Armstrong county. Inventor of an electric telegraph and motor; discoverer of spectrum analysis.

- Armsby, Henry P.* (1853-1921). Scientist. Born in Massachusetts. In 1887 became organizer and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at Pennsylvania State College. Notable for contributions to science of nutrition.
- Bache, Alexander D.* (1806-67). Scientist. Born in Philadelphia and graduate of West Point. Superintendent of U. S. Coast Survey, 1843. Contributions to chemistry and meteorological science.
- Baird, Spencer F.* (1823-88). Naturalist. Born at Reading. Professor of natural science at Dickinson College, assistant secretary and secretary of Smithsonian Institution. First head of Commission of Fish and Fisheries.
- Bartram, John* (1699-1777). First native American botanist. Called by Linnaeus the greatest contemporary "natural botanist" in the world. Carried on first American experiments in hybridizing.
- Bond, Thomas* (1712-84). Physician and surgeon. Founder of the Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, the first hospital in the United States intended solely for the reception of the sick, injured or insane.
- Drawbaugh, Daniel.* Inventor. Born near Harrisburg in 1827. Famous for a variety of inventions and improvements upon others. Claimed by many to have invented telephone prior to Bell, but lost patent case involving his rights.
- Evans, Lewis* (1700-56). Geographer and surveyor. Maps traced in great detail Colonial roads of Pennsylvania and were not improved upon long after death.
- Fitch, John* (1743-98). Inventor of steamboat which plied the Delaware River. The venture was unsuccessful economically and it remained for Robert Fulton to perfect this means of travel.
- Fulton, Robert* (1765-1815). Inventor. Born lower Lancaster county where birthplace is still standing. Famous for building of *Clermont* and inauguration of steamboat age.
- Goodyear, Charles* (1800-60). Inventor of the rubber vulcanizing process which was to make the modern rubber industry what it is. In spite of his contribution he died a debtor.
- Kane, Elisha Kent* (1820-57). Explorer. Born in Philadelphia. Engaged in government survey work. In charge of two expeditions in search of Sir John Franklin.
- Kelly, William* (1811-88). Inventor. Born in Pittsburgh and engaged in iron business in Kentucky. Developed air boiling process for making steel similar to and antedating Bessemer.

Kirkbride, Thomas S. (1809-83). Born near Morrisville and from 1841 until his death was superintendent and physician of Pennsylvania Hospital for Insane. Developed many improved practices for their treatment.

Peary, Robert E. (1856-1920). Explorer and famous as discoverer of North Pole. Born at Cresson where his birthplace still stands and he is memorialized by a monument.

Physick, Philip Syng (1768-1837). Native of Philadelphia and leader in its medical history. Pioneer in field of surgery and often termed "the father of American surgery."

Priestley, Joseph (1733-1804). Scientist and author. Emigrated from England to America in 1794 as result of liberal views. Settled at Northumberland. Discoverer of oxygen. Home preserved as a museum at Northumberland by Pennsylvania State College.

Rush, Benjamin (1745-1813). Physician. Born near Philadelphia. Leader in development chemistry and surgery; established first dispensary in U. S. A surgeon-general during the Revolution.

Saxton, Joseph (1799-1873). Inventor. Born at Huntingdon. Notable for development of precision machinery, and pioneer in photography.

Smith, Edgar Fahs (1854-1928). Scientist. Born at York. Professor of chemistry and later provost of University of Pennsylvania. A chemist of note and a leader in the development of the American Chemical Society.

LEADERS IN DEFENDING DEMOCRACY

Alden, Bradford R. Born Meadville, 1800. West Point graduate; instructor there, 1833-40, and commandant, 1845-52.

Armstrong, John (1758-1843). Born at Carlisle and served on staff of General Gates in the Revolution. Minister to France, 1804-10, and Secretary of War, 1813-14, vital years of War of 1812.

Arnold, Abraham K. Born at Bedford. West Point graduate. Civil War hero. Leader of Apache expedition, 1879, and Crow expedition, 1887. Prominent in Spanish American War.

Atlee, Samuel J. (1739-86). Born at Lancaster. Served in French and Indian War and Revolution. Member Continental Congress and commissioner in several Indian conferences. Member Assembly.

Baird, Absalom (1824-1905). Born Washington, Penna., and graduate West Point. Served with distinction during Civil War and rose to rank of Major-General. Staff Inspector General 1885-88.

Barnes, Joseph K. (1817-83). Surgeon. Born in Philadelphia; assistant surgeon Mexican War and in surgeon-general's office in Civil War. Surgeon General 1864-82.

Bartlett, William H. C. (1809-93). Soldier and scientist, educated at West Point where he was an instructor for many years. In charge of construction Forts Munroe and Adams. Contributed to optical science.

Beaver, James A. (1837-1914). Soldier, educator and governor. Born Millerstown, Perry county, resident of Bellefonte. Served in Civil War rising to rank of brigadier-general. President of Pennsylvania State College. Governor from 1887-91.

Bell, James M. (1837-1919). Born at Williamsburg, Blair county. Served with distinction in the Civil War and later Indian wars as well as in the Philippines. Raised to rank of brigadier-general, U. S. A.

Bernadon, John B. (1858-1908). Born in Philadelphia. Graduate Naval Academy. Commander in Spanish American War. Author of works on utilizing U. S. resources in war.

Biddle, James (1783-1848). Native of Philadelphia serving in Tripolitan war and War of 1812. Negotiated first treaty with China.

Blaine, Ephraim. Died in 1808 at Carlisle. Prominent as commissary general in the Revolution and intimate of Washington. Grandfather of James G. Blaine.

Bliss, Tasker H. (1853-1930). Native of Lewisburg and West Point graduate. Served with distinction in administration of dependencies secured from war with Spain. Chief of staff in 1917. Member of Supreme War Council and American Peace Commission, 1918-19.

Bouquet, Henry (1719-65). British officer. Helped open western Pennsylvania by establishing a string of forts, opening roads and fighting the Indians. Prominent in defeat of Pontiac's Conspiracy.

Brady, Hugh (1768-1851). Native of Northumberland county. With Wayne on his western expedition; distinguished himself in War of 1812. In command at Detroit from 1835-51, in charge of Canadian relations. Rank of major-general.

Brinton, John H. (1832-1907). Born in Philadelphia. Served in Civil War; prominent writer on the medical service of the U. S. army.

- Brodhead, Daniel* (1736-1809). Resident of present Monroe county. Deputy surveyor-general for Pennsylvania at Reading in 1773. In charge of famous Brodhead expedition cooperating with Sullivan in suppressing the Iroquois during the Revolution. Died at Milford.
- Brooke, John R.* (1838-1926). Native of Pottsville. Distinguished as arranging cession of Porto Rico, and as military and civil head of Cuba.
- Brown, Jacob* (1775-1828). Native of Bucks County. Rose to rank major-general War of 1812, and in 1821 in command of all Federal troops.
- Dahlgren, John A.* (1809-70). Philadelphian and inventor of Dahlgren gun. Chief of Bureau of Ordnance, 1862. Commander of South Atlantic squadron in Civil War. Raised to Admiral's rank. Author of several works on naval ordnance.
- Decatur, Stephen* (1779-1820). Resident of Philadelphia. Called most notable figure in Navy from John Paul Jones to Farragut. Hero of Tripolitan War and served in War of 1812.
- Geary, John White* (1819-73). Soldier and Governor. Born at Mount Pleasant. Served in Mexican War. First mayor of San Francisco and territorial governor of Kansas, 1856-7. Civil War leader. Governor 1866-73.
- Gibbon, John* (1827-96). Born near Holmesburg. West Point graduate. Served in Mexican War and advanced to rank of major-general in Civil War. In charge of several expeditions against western Indians. Author of "The Artillerist's Manual."
- Hancock, Winfield S.* (1824-86). Born at Montgomery Square. Graduate of West Point. One of distinguished commanders of the Civil War. Candidate for presidency, 1880.
- Irvine, William* (1741-1804). Revolutionary general, born in Ireland, settled at Carlisle. Prominent in settlement of frontier and Indian problems. Hereditary lands still in hands of descendants near Warren.
- Kent, Jacob Ford* (1835-1918). Born in Philadelphia; West Point graduate. Served in Civil War and on Indian frontier as well as in Spanish War. Brigadier-general's rank.
- March, Peyton C.* Born at Easton, 1864; graduate of Lafayette and West Point. Active in Spanish War and government of island dependencies. Chief of Staff, U. S. A., in 1918 and World War leader.

McClellan, George Brinton (1826-85). Civil War general and Democratic candidate in 1864 for the presidency. Organizer of the Army of the Potomac. Beloved by his soldiers, McClellan was the most able of all Union generals in the opinion of General Robert E. Lee.

Meade, George Gordon (1815-72). Resident of Philadelphia. Served in Mexican and Civil Wars. Notable as leader of Union forces at Gettysburg.

* *Porter, Horace* (1837-1921). Born at Huntingdon. Graduate of West Point, and Civil War leader. Aide-de-camp, assistant secretary of war and secretary to Grant. Ambassador to France, 1897-1905.

St. Clair, Arthur (1736-1818). Born in Scotland and served under Wolfe at Quebec. Established home in western Pennsylvania and became a major-general in Revolution. President of Continental Congress and governor of Northwest Territory. Buried at Greensburg.

Sims, William S. (1858-1936). Born in Canada and graduated from the Naval Academy in 1880 upon a Pennsylvania appointment. Commander of American naval operations in the World War I and head of Naval War College. Retired 1922.

Wayne, Anthony (1745-96). Picturesque Revolutionary general and Indian fighter. Born at Waynesboro. Commander of the Pennsylvania Line during the Revolution. Hero of the "Battle of Fallen Timbers" with the Indians which opened large portions of the frontier to settlement by the whites.

LEADERS AMONG PENNSYLVANIA WOMEN

Alcott, Louisa May (1832-88). Novelist and famous for *Little Women* and *Little Men*. Born in Germantown.

Aliquippa. Indian queen living at junction of Monongahela and Youghiogheny rivers and possessed of great influence in French and Indian War era.

Bache, Sarah (1744-1808). Daughter of Franklin. Organized relief work during the Revolution.

Bascom, Florence. Geologist born in 1834 in Massachusetts and first woman to receive a degree from Johns Hopkins. Bryn Mawr professor and geologist of U. S. G. S.

Beaux, Cecilia. Artist. Born in Philadelphia, 1863. One of the distinctive artists of recent times.

- Clark, Helen A.* (1860-1926). Author and musician. Born in Philadelphia. Founder of *Poet Lore*. Composer and pianist and author of several literary studies.
- Davis, Rebecca Harding* (1831-1910). Writer. Born Washington, Penna. Mother of Richard Harding Davis, and author of several novels.
- Dickinson, Anna* (1842-1932). Reformer. Born in Philadelphia; resident of West Pittston. Became pioneer in temperance and anti-slavery crusade. Feminist leader, playwright and dramatist.
- Frietchie, Barbara*. Heroine of Whittier's poem memorializing her defiance of the Confederates at Frederick, Md. Native of Lancaster.
- Gillespie, Eliza M.* (1824-87). Philanthropist. Born near West Brownsville. In charge of Catholic charities and hospital work in Civil War.
- Gratz, Rebecca* (1782-1869). Educator. Born in Philadelphia of Jewish parents. Founded Hebrew Sunday School of Philadelphia in 1838, oldest of its kind in America. A leader in charities. Was the "Rebecca" of Scott's *Ivanhoe*.
- Hale, Sarah J.* (1788-1879). Author and editor. Editor of famous *Godey's Lady's Book* published Philadelphia. Advocate of women's rights. Suggested Thanksgiving Day be made a national holiday. Author of several books and poems.
- Jemison, Mary*. Pioneer woman. Settled in Adams county and taken prisoner by French and Indians in 1758, after which she lived with Indians for nearly 80 years. Buried in Letchworth Park, N. Y.
- Kelley, Florence* (1859-1932). Social worker. Born in Philadelphia. Active in Hull House and Henry Street enterprises. Wrote extensively on social legislation.
- Longshore, Hannah E.* Physician. Born in 1819. One of first graduates of Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia and to practice in the city. Achieved a distinctive record.
- Longstreet, Mary A.* (1811-84). Educator. Born in Philadelphia and in 1829 opened a private school for girls of a liberal type which ran for fifty years with over 1,000 pupils attending. Remainder of life devoted to interest in schools for the Indian and Negro.
- Mott, Lucretia* (1793-1880). Born in Massachusetts. Moved to Philadelphia at age of eighteen. Took a leading part in the anti-slavery movement and became head of the female Anti-Slavery Society founded in Philadelphia. Leader also in women's rights movement.

Oakley, Violet. Artist. Born in New York, 1874, but long-time resident of Philadelphia. Noteworthy for her murals in the State Capitol.

Penn, Hannah (1664-1733). Second wife of the Quaker founder. Mistress of Pennsbury. During the last six years of William Penn's life, Hannah was the true governor of the province.

Peter, Sarah W. (1800-77). Designer. Born in Ohio and removed to Philadelphia, 1840. Became interested in welfare of women in unfortunate circumstances and developed an institution for their care. Founder also of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women, first of its kind in America.

Pitcher, Molly. Heroine. Famous for heroic incident in Battle of Monmouth. Buried at Carlisle where a monument was erected to her memory in 1876.

Preston, Ann (1813-72). Physician. Born at West Grove, Chester county. Interested in anti-slavery movement. A writer and poet of charm. One of first graduates of Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia and became a member of its staff as professor of physiology and hygiene and dean of the College.

Reifsnyder, Elizabeth (1858-1922). Medical missionary to China. Graduate of Woman's Medical College in Philadelphia, 1881. Opened first American hospital in China.

Ross, Betsy (1752-1836). Creator of the Stars and Stripes, and the colors of the Pennsylvania Navy which operated independently during the Revolution.

Sanford, Laura G. (1819-1907). Historian and humanitarian. Born and died in Erie. Served as a foreign missionary for some years. Leader of temperance movement, interested in youth clubs and care of the unfortunate. Published a *History of Erie County*.

Swisshelm, Jane Corey (1815-84). Feminist. Born in Pittsburgh and resident Swissdale. Ardent leader of abolition and also foremost champion of equal rights for women. In 1848 started the *Pittsburgh Saturday Visitor* to forward her cause. Removed to Minnesota in 1857.

Turner, Eliza Spraat. Social worker. Native of Philadelphia, died 1903. An indefatigable promoter of social causes. One of the founders of Drexel Institute, Consumer's League and Children's Country Week Association. Active in the women's suffrage movement.

Watson, Mrs. Ellen M. (1831-1913). Humanitarian. Born in Pittsburgh. Served as a nurse in the Civil War and a leader in work of the Sanitary Commission. Married in 1867 and lived at New Castle until 1873 when she returned to Pittsburgh. Leader in temperance reform and a proponent of charitable causes.

Wiggin, Kate Douglas (1856-1923). Author and pioneer kindergarten worker. Remembered for "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" and "The Birds' Christmas Carol."

Zeller, Clotilde de Valois. Pioneer. Native of France, driven from her homeland by persecution of the Huguenots. Came to America and led in establishment of a settlement on Tulpehocken Creek in present Lebanon county. Fort Zeller used as a refuge by the settlers. still stands.





